BASIC INTERVIEWING QUESTIONS

• Tell me something about yourself.
• Why did you select Stevens?
• What led you to choose your major?
• What classes did you like best? Least? Why?
• Do you think that your grades are a good indication of your academic achievement? Why or why not?
• Where do you see yourself in 5 years? In 10?
• Do you have plans for continued study? An advanced degree?
• Why do you want to work for this company?
• Why did you choose the career for which you are preparing?
• How would you describe the ideal job for you following graduation?
• How would you describe yourself?
• How do you think people who know you would describe you?
• What do you consider to be your greatest strengths and weaknesses?
• What are your personal likes and dislikes?
• What motivates you?
• What frustrates you?
• How aggressive are you?
• How do you work under pressure?
• Have you kept up in your field? How?
• What professional associations do you belong to?
• What do you do in your spare time?
• Have you reviewed our website? What do you like most about our company?
• What have you learned from participation in extracurricular activities?
• What two or three accomplishments have given you the most satisfaction? Why?
• What risks have you taken in the past?
• What major problem have you encountered and how did you deal with it?
• What have you learned from your mistakes?
• Do you want to own your own business?
• What are your work and non-work related short range and long range goals? Why?
• How are you preparing
• yourself to achieve them?
• What two or three things are most important to you in your job?
• How do you determine or evaluate success?
• How do you feel about our company- its size industry, and competitive position?
• What interests you most about the available position?
• What do you think it takes to be successful in a company like ours?
• If you were hiring a graduate for this position, what qualities would you look for?
• Do you prefer to deal with people or with information?
BASIC INTERVIEWING QUESTIONS
(continued)

• How long will it take you to start making a significant contribution?
• What qualities should a successful manager possess?
• In what kind of work environment are you most comfortable?
• Would you rather work alone or in a team?
• What criteria are you using to evaluate the company for which you hope to work?
• Do you have a geographical preference?
• Are you willing to travel? If so, how often?
• What salary do you expect to receive?
• Why should I hire you?
• Based on the nature of this industry, what are the two greatest contributions you can make to our company?
• What did you learn from your internships/co-ops?
• If you could do so, how would you plan your preparation differently? Why?
• Anything else about yourself you’d like to tell me?
• ANY QUESTIONS?